# Connie Mack Denies He Is Stumbling-Block Preventing Yanks Getting Baker

# MACK IS NOT STOPPING HIS FORMER STAR FROM PLAYING

Tells Delaware County League Banqueters That He Has Taken No Step to "Hurt" Frank Baker.

Has Not Made Any Move Which Would Prevent Trappe Farmer's Signing With New York Yankees.

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

Connie Mack, the shrewd leader of the Philadelphia Athletics, denies that he is preventing Frank Baker from going to the New York Yankees, as the former slugging thirdsacker of the Mackmen is reported to have said at the banquet of the Delaware County League Saturday night.

"I've said before, and I mean it," exclaims Connic, "that I'm done Catchers-O'Neill, Billings. Egan, and with Baker, so far as I personally Mills Infielders-Kirke. Chapman. am concerned. I have not seen Evans. Baker, talked to him or had any communications with him since the middle of last season, when he came to me with an offer to play out the season with the Athletics if I would tear up the present contract I have with him. I refused to do this and that is why he played with this and that is why he played with He's certainly starting right. Upland last season instead of with the Athletics."

Baker is reported as telling the Up- for land fans that Connie Mack is keeping transferred in Chicago the animal brok

oredited with saving. "but I think I the hunt by shooting the would-be ought to get a share and unless I do instantly. Weeghman is now said not I won't sign either with New York or to be partial to bear cubs as mascots. Chicago, and will play with Upland

to be traded or sold or released out-right until then," he explained today. "There's plenty of time, anyway If I am successful in a counte of direc-tions, as I hope to be, decided changes will be seen in my club. I can't talk about that at this early due though." "There's plenty of time, anyway If I am successful in a couple of directions, as I hope to be, decided changes will be seen in my club. I can't talk about that at this early date, though.

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### Reds' Old Captain Is Now a Detective

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 31 .-Tommy Corcoran, the former Cincinnati baseball captain, has been engaged as chief of guards at the factory of the Maxim Arms Company here. His duties are to take charge of a large number of police, who are engaged by the company to patrol and guard the plant. Corcoran says that his connection with baseball is He was umpire in the Federal League last season. He has done considerable detective work, and the company regards itself fortunate in securing an aggressive chief of guards to ward off spies who will carry back to Europe the secrets of the Maxim companies.

y and Mitchell form this latter con-

tingent.

The Indians will begin work on the morning of February 20, using Heinneman Park, home of the Pelicans. The battery men will be alone until March 1, when the remainder of the club will 5, Mardi Gras Sunday, with the Pelicans.

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ns. Spring dates for the Indians follow: March 24—Cleveland vs. New Orleans March 26-Cleveland vs. Cincinnati at New Orleans.

it is possible that a few more games may be arranged after Manager Fohl arrives at New Orleans. The squad of Indians will include the following:
Pitchers - Mitchell, Morton, Jones,
Coumbe, Klepfer, Harstad, Bagby, Garrett, Collamore, Covelskie, Carter, and

Syans, Wamby, Barbare, and Thomas, Outfielders - Graney, Roth, Smith. Chappell, Edmonston, and Pa-

A Montana fan shipped a bear to Charlie Weeghman to act as mascot for the 1916 Cubs, but while being him from going to New York by re-fusing to give him any part of the purchase price.

"I don't want half of it." Baker is

Connie Mack says he's done with Baker He says the slugger may be sold some day, but that Baker will never get a cent of the purchase price. "If it had not been for Baker's actions last year the Athletics would have and came back to fast company; this now, I don't want Haker at the salary his contract calls for, I could handle him at what he got before he begated his salary on me, but he's not worth it to me now. He signed a there were heard from them. Years' contract with me, and he cained pay with any other club.

Baker seems to think there are several club that want him. Maybe there are, but I've never heard from them. New York has never made me a direct softer for Baker yet, and the one I did receive from the White Sox couldn't want anything like what I want for him."

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Not until the New York meeting is over will Manager Griffith send out his orders to his players for 1916.

"I won't know which of my men are to be traded or sold or released outright until then," he explained today. There's plenty of time, anyway If I am successful in a counte of direc.

"Good judges of baseball players, who have watched Rousch in action, class him with Kauff, Magee, and Tobin. Joe Toker, Ed Reulbach, and Billy Murray claim to it the culbach in the winter sports are protesting against the rule ychemently. They claim that it greatly hinders the quality of the competition in the winter sports and is in reality a one-sport rule. They also deny that it going back for a fly ball. The moment peace was declared a number of clubs one-sport rule. They also deny that it going back for a fly ball. The moment peace was declared a number of clubs to the winter sports and is in reality a one-sport rule. They also dents who are interested in winter sports are protesting against the rule ychemently. They claim that it greatly hinders the quality of the competition in the winter sports and is in reality a one-sport rule. They also dent who are interested in winter sports are protesting against the rule ychemently. They claim that it greatly hinders the quality of the competition in the winter sports and is in reality a one-sport rule. They also dents who are interested in winter sports are protesting against the rule ychemently. They claim that it greatly hinders the quality of the competition in the winter sports are protesting against the rule ychemently. They claim that it greatly hinders the quality of the competition in the winter sports are protesting against the rule ychemently. They claim that it greatly hinders the quality of the competition in the winter sports are protesting against the rule ychemently. They claim that it greatly hinders the quality of the compet

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# Georgetown Hopes For NEWARK MEN AFTER Large Athletic Entry CLUB'S FRANCHISE

Invitations Have Been Sent to Representative Teams | Murray and Lustig, Business All Over the East-Penn Relay Carnival Attracting Some Classy Performers.

Georgetown expects to have at will be played at Forbes Field on Thanksgiving Day in Pittsburgh for the next tdo years. The freshman teams will also play the Saturday before Thanksgiving. vention Hall, February 19. The invitations have been extended to some of the best college track teams in the lasketball players being recently being a practice scrimmage, the team has East and, while they are coming disbanded for the season. back slowly, every hope is enter-

Thirty colleges already have declared appendicitis. He will be lost to the for entry in the twenty-second annual crimson for the relay race with Yale Pennsylvania relay race carnival April next Saturday, but expects to get 28 and 29, including Yale, Harvard, shape for the Cornell and Yale outdoor New Orleans.

March 28—Cleveland vs. Cincinnati at San. Penn State and Michigan AgriSan. Penn State and Michigan Agricultural. Harvard's team is expected to make the one-mile race one of the track. April 2—Cleveland vs. Cincinnati at Cincinnati at Cincinnati.

April 8—Cleveland vs. Cincinnati at Cincinnati.

April 9—Cleveland vs. Cincinnati at Cincinnati.

April 10—Cleveland vs. Cincinnati at Cincinnati.

April 12—Opening of championship season. It is possible that a few more games may be arranged ofter Manager Fohl arrives at New Orleans.

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Yale will again be the favorite in the distance medley race, which they winning intercollegiate chamilionshing won last year, creating a new record.

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class, and will send Worthungton into-

fore Thanksgiving.

As a result of one of Tufts freshman basketball players being recently billed

W. D. Cunningham, the former Yale tained that a representative gather-ing of track athletes will be seen start the sport at Columbia University. ing of track athletes will be seen has been declared ineligible and can-

Louis Curtis, center on the Parvard hockey team, wore the crimson color for

they have two of the best quartermilers in college today.

Cornell still has its array of distance
men, and will be the favorite in the
four-mile championship again Bartmouth will make a bid for one of the
should be eliminated. It tends to slow Kid Keinath, probably the greatest

Crosscountry running is being made a target by the "Big Nine" in the Middle West. Wilber J. Teeters, of lows University, says that this form lected at West Virginia, is the former of athleties is injurious to those engaging in it, and that it may be dropped.

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Men, Will Confer With Barrow About Purchasing.

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 31.-The New ark franchise in the international League may be sold to Harry Murray and Oscar Lustig, two local business men, although the deal has not yet been closed. It is understood that Edward Grant Barrow, the president of the Inship, and a conference will be held this week, when Messrs, Lustig and Murray will take up the question with Barrow, Lustig is a real estate dealer in this while Murray is a liquor mer

chant it is understood that President Bar ow has fixed \$25,000 as the price to the club, and has said that any who puts up this amount and is satis-factory to him, as well as to the league, can have the tranchise. There are a number of other local people anxious

### Gotch and Willard to Tour Land With Circus

DENVER, Jan. 31.-It can be authoriatively announced that Frank Gotch the king of the wrestlers, has decided to come out of retirement and meet Joe Stecher, the sensational Nebraska wrestler, just as soon as the right offer presents itself.

Rather, Gotch has contracted to go ouring with a circus, starting out the ast week in April and showing for 200 days if business proves good. The arrangement is to have Gotch meet all comers from day to day, forfeiting big money whenever he falls to throw his opponent. It is said Gotch will receive in the neighborhood of \$1,000 a Jers Willard, the heavyweight cham-nion, has signed to go out with the same show. The owners of the circus

have given Willard permission to engage in two ughts, one in New Yor and one in the Scuth or West, but they must take place before April 15. Fordham Students Will Now Form Boxing Class

NEW YORK, Jan. 31 - Fordham Uni versity is to follow the example of as a college sport. The college authorities have notified chairman Wenck, of the boxing commission, that a meeting of the students will be held at Fordnam on February 2 to take action on Chairman Wenck has been invited to

### MINCE PIE.

A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING. By "Bugs" Baer.

Henry Ford concedes there isn't the slightest chance of securing peace. Even if the Kaiser were to kiss the Czar, what chance is there of a sophomore shaking hands with a freshman?

Curios.

There was a big demand for Sinclair's ball players, but there will certainly be some magnates mangled in the rush when he starts in to dispose of his spectators.

Inability to speak English will not handicap that Chinese bexer in his career. A punch in the nose is a uni-

Facts Not Worth Knowing. This year managers will be able to arry as many ball players as they lesire. The advantages of this rulng are many and beneficial. For instances, instead of toting only twenty five players a manager is allowed to arry fifty. It doubles the attendance.

# DABIO RUDOLPH "If Thomas Edi-

is a failure it will probably be sent to Cincinnati with the rest of 'em."

It must be great to be a King and have a divine right, but we'd rather be Charley White and have a divine

After listening to Benny Sauff's descripion of how Benny Kauff can cover the outfield, we fear there will not be many safe bunts in the National League next summer.

Sherman Was Wrong.

Since the war started, the women in Europe are doing all the work. Before the war started the women

> Did You Know This? Golf is a very important game to a golfer. Strangely enough, coal miners care very little for

golf, being able to get better results through attacking the turf with a shovel. Modern mil itary developments have dem onstrated the ultimate value of golf, as trenches are considered an important adjunct to warfare. Any patriotic golfer can dig a trench in a few swings and seconds. The best golf clubs are brassie, driver, putter and midiron. The spoon is also an important club in golfing and should be used in cases where a knife would be de trop, such as sand bunkers and new June peas.

Answers To Queeries. Queery Editor: Is there any rule to

prevent cheering at chess? Yours sincerely. PARTLEIGH DUMM. hibiting cheering at chess. You can also cheer at poker, but we advise you not There is no rule to prevent you from shooting off Roman candles, skyrockets and cannons at chess. You can even massage a bass drum.

Ed. Queeries: I am the best welterweight in Alexandria's postoffice department, but unfortunately I been transferred to Washington. I have been picking up a lot of easy coin fighting around there, and I don't want to lose easy gravy. Is fighting allowed in Washington? Yours,

KNOTT THAIR. Only in the Senate.

Queery Editor: In the papers I often see references to the fold of organized baseball. Does that phrase refer to the knees of Garry Herrmann's trousers? I MAJOR TYRED Not at all. That is a vivid description of the back of a baseball magnate's

Editor Queeries: How is it that the big leagues don't play winter baseball in the East? in the East? ORVILLE PAYNE. orville, they do.

They're So Wrong They're Right. Speaking of grim humor, the Feds an-nounced they were going to build a postless baseball park in New York his summer.

Slowing up hasn't impaired Honus Wagner's value, as he never has any third strikes to run out.

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# Princeton Men Worry Over Two-Sport Rule

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Pennsylvania Is Not Expected to Make Its Decision for Whole Month.



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